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By the King.

A Proclamation, for the ſuppreſsing of a Booke, intituled, *Appello Cæſarem*, or, *An Appeale to Cæſar.*

WHereas Wee, out of Our care to conſerue and maintaine the Church, committed to Our Charge, in the vnity of true Religion, and the bond of peace, and not to ſuffer vnneceſſary diſputes, which may trouble the quiet both of Church and State, haue lately cauſed the Articles of Religion to bee reprinted, as a rule for auoyding of diuerſities of opinion, and for the eſtabliſhing of conſent in true Religion; We, continuing Our deſire to compaſſe this wiſhed effect, and conſidering that the Booke Written by Richard Montague, now Biſhop of Chicheſter, then but Batchelor of Diuinitie, intituled, (Appello Cæſarem, or, An Appeale to Cæſar,) and publiſhed in the yeere (1625.) was the firſt cauſe of thoſe diſputes and differences, which haue ſithence much troubled the quiet of the Church; haue thought it fitting to take away the occaſion by calling in the ſaid Booke: And therfore We doe hereby Will and ſtraightly command all and ſingular perſons whatſoeuer, who haue, or ſhall haue any of them in their hands or cuſtodie, that vpon paine of Our high diſpleaſure, and the conſequence thereof, they doe deliuer the ſame preſently vpon this publication, to the Lord Biſhop of the Dioceſſe, or his Chancellor, if it bee out of the Vniuerſities, or if it be in either of the two Vniuerſities, to the Chancellor or Vice-chancellor there, whom Wee ſtraightly command to ſuppreſſe the ſame; hoping thereby, that men will no more trouble themſelues with theſe vnneceſſary queſtions, the firſt occaſion being taken away: But if Wee ſhall bee deceiued in this Our expectation, and that by reading, preaching, or making Bookes, either pro or contra, concerning theſe differences, men begin anew to diſpute, Wee ſhall take ſuch order with them, and thoſe Bookes, that they ſhall wiſh they had neuer thought vpon theſe needleſſe Controuerſies.

Giuen at Our Court at White-Hall, The ſeuenteenth day of Ianuary, in the fourth yeere of Our Reigne, of Great Britaine, France, and Ireland.

God ſaue the King.

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